



# Celebrate "Save the Florida Panther Day"

Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge Open House

Saturday, March 16, 2013

Roger Roth Work Center

7:30am – 1:00pm



Registration for some tours is required and noted in **\*red** font.

**Reservations begin March 11<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Reservations will not be taken early.**

Register at: <http://www.rsvpbook.com/2013floridapantherOH>

## **\*BIRD WALK 7:30am – 10:00am**

Spring migration is a great time to see birds. Join former Refuge Manager Jim Krakowski on a bird tour of our public trails. Meet at the Duncan Memorial Trailhead.

## **\*BUGGY TOURS 7:30am, 8:00, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, & 10:30**

60-minute buggy tours depart the Roger Roth Work Center and travel through cypress swamps and oak hammocks, where you will feel the wilderness all around you.

**\*SWAMP WALK ORCHID TOURS WITH LARRY RICHARDSON 8:15am, 9:45, & 11:15** Tours take visitors through beautiful swamps (up to three feet deep), so put on your messy gear and come check out the special and rare orchids that call the refuge home!

## **\*NATIVE PLANT IDENTIFICATION WALKS 8:30am & 10:45am**

Take a walk with an accomplished botanist, Mike Barry, as he points out individual plant identifications and discusses forest communities and their relationship to wildlife communities.

## **\*ARCHERY SHOOT 10:30am - 12:00pm OR 12:30pm – 2:00pm**

Participants (9 years old & older) will receive basic instruction, practice shooting, and learn about the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge's mission. 90 minute session.

## **HAYRIDES 10:00am & 11:30am**

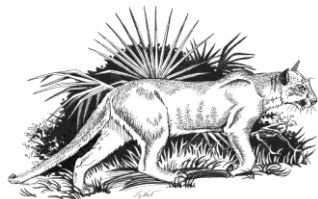
Pile in and take a 60-minute hayride to explore territory not visited by the buggy tours. Keep your eyes open for rare wildlife like Florida panthers. Limited space; no reservations.

## **OUTDOOR PRESENTATIONS**

Free outdoor presentations on Florida panthers will be given throughout the event by a panther biologist.

## **GUIDED TRAIL WALKS**

Refuge Trail Guides will give your family a personalized tour through iconic Florida panther habitats. Look for tracks and scat of FP183, whose territory overlaps the trails!



**DIRECTIONS** (From Naples): I-75 East toward Ft. Lauderdale. Take Exit 80 (State Road 29) and turn north (left). The **Roger Roth Work Center** is ½ mile north of I-75 on SR29 after the refuge trailhead.

For more information call: (239) 353-8442 x 229 or go to [www.fws.gov/floridapanther](http://www.fws.gov/floridapanther)

**Don't Miss This Other Date in March!**

## **NAPLES ZOO "SAVE THE FLORIDA PANTHER DAY" – Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9am–3pm**

Panther Biologists, Exhibits, and More!! Come learn about Florida Panthers on the Zoo's Free Saturday for Collier County Residents!